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Sent via USPS to:

Linda Holst Chief, Water Quality Branch U.S. EPA Region V 77 West Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60604-3507

Re: Proposed Site-Specific Boron Standard before the Illinois Pollution Control Board

Dear Ms. Holst,

We would like to draw your attention to a proceeding currently before the Illinois Pollution Control Board in the matter of a Proposed Site-Specific Rule for the City of Springfield, Illinois Office of Public Utilities, City Water, Light and Power and Springfield Metro Sanitary District from 35 Ill. Admin. Code § 302.208 (g), Docket No. R09-08. As discussed in comments filed by Prairie Rivers Network yesterday (enclosed), the proposed site-specific boron standard does not meet the requirements of the Clean Water Act and will warrant your close scrutiny when it comes time for U.S. EPA to review any standard that emerges from this proceeding.

We thank you for your time, and if you have any further questions please do not hesitate to call me at (312) 795-3747 or Albert Ettinger at (312) 795-3707.

Sincerely,

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Enclosed: Prairie Rivers Network Comments and Exhibits 1-6 CC: Marcia Willhite, Chief, Illinois EPA Bureau of Water

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